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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
BILLINGS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, vs. WILLIAM MAURICE SMITH, Defendant.	CR 15-15-BLG-SPW INFORMATION PURSUANT TO 21 U.S.C. § 851
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Pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 851, the United States of America, represented by Lori Harper Suek, Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Montana, notifies the Court and the defendant, WILLIAM MAURICE SMITH, of the government's intent to seek increased punishment by reason of Smith's prior felony drug convictions. Specifically, if the defendant is convicted of either

count I or count II of the indictment, the United States will seek to increase his potential penalty from a term of imprisonment of not less than 10 years, to a mandatory term of life imprisonment. 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(b)(1)(A) and 851(a).

The government will rely upon the following felony drug convictions:

1. Criminal Possession of Dangerous Drugs—sentencing date of March 31, 1988, in Yellowstone County, Montana.
2. Criminal Possession of Dangerous Drugs—sentencing date of January 16, 1998, in Yellowstone County, Montana.
3. Criminal Possession of Dangerous Drugs—sentencing date of December 13, 2006, in Yellowstone County, Montana.
4. Criminal Distribution of Dangerous Drugs—sentencing date of December 13, 2006, in Yellowstone County, Montana.
5. Criminal Distribution of Dangerous Drugs—sentencing date of April 2, 2007, in Big Horn County, Montana.
6. Criminal Possession of Dangerous Drugs—sentencing date of September 23, 2011, in Billings, Montana.

Each conviction is punishable by more than one year imprisonment.

DATED this 28th day of March, 2016

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